# LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS

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#### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7495 DATE PREPARED: Jan 10, 2001

BILL NUMBER: HB 1947 BILL AMENDED:

**SUBJECT:** Cy Pres in Charitable Trusts and Corporations.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

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<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill provides that the following may bring an action under the cy pres doctrine against a charitable trust or corporation:

- (1) The settler of the trust.
- (2) A beneficiary of the trust or charitable corporation.
- (3) The Attorney General.
- (4) A donor to a charitable trust or charitable nonprofit corporation if the donor has contributed at least \$1,000 to the trust or corporation and the trust or corporation has solicited and received more than \$25,000 in public donations or public contributions.
- (5) A beneficiary of the charitable corporation.
- (6) A taxpayer of a governmental entity that has provided more than \$500,000 in subsidies, tax credits, or tax exemptions to the trust or charitable nonprofit corporation.

The bill allows a living heir of a donor of a charitable contribution to a trust or charitable corporation to present evidence of the intent of the donor of a charitable contribution.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

<u>Explanation of State Expenditures:</u> If the Attorney General's office were to choose to bring an action under a charitable nonprofit corporation under the Cy Pres doctrine, the Office's costs could increase. It is expected that any increase would be covered using existing staff and resources.

#### **Explanation of State Revenues:**

### **Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

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## **Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Attorney General's Office.

**Local Agencies Affected:** 

**Information Sources:** 

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